

REPORT OF GRAND JURY IS SUBMITTED

CO. CLERK BRADLEY IS SUSPENDED AND TRIAL SET FOR JAN. 31

Six Charges are Alleged; Other Indictments Returned But No Names Announced; General Conditions Concerning Crime, County Buildings and Official Conduct

The grand jury, recessing today to Thursday, February 3, reported among other proceedings, an indictment against P. P. Bradley, clerk of the county of Grady.

The indictment charges the defendant with having been "wilfully, corruptly and unlawfully guilty of misconduct in office."

The indictment contains six counts. The first count alleges that the defendant has, "on many diverse occasions, the time and date being to the grand jurors unknown," been "maliciously, corruptly and unlawfully and while in office as aforesaid, guilty of drunkenness."

The second count of the indictment alleges the defendant to have been repeatedly guilty of the "excessive use of intoxicating liquors."

The third count in the indictment charges that the defendant, "has wilfully, maliciously, corruptly and unlawfully been guilty of habitual drunkenness."

The fourth count in the indictment charges the defendant, P. P. Bradley, on a certain date with having absented himself from his office for from five to six days, "thereby neglecting the duties involving upon him according to law as such county clerk of Grady county, Oklahoma."

The fifth count in the indictment charges the defendant with being guilty of corruption in office and sets forth as follows: "That on the day of 1914, and prior to the presentment hereof, the exact date being to the grand jury unknown, the county commissioners of Grady county, Oklahoma, leased and purchased certain real estate in the city of Chickasha, Grady county, Oklahoma, as a court house, and that said P. P. Bradley, while said county clerk of Grady county, Oklahoma, and ex-officio clerk of the board of commissioners of Grady county, as aforesaid, did wilfully, corruptly, fraudulently and unlawfully, receive and accept the sum of about \$200, the exact amount thereof being to the grand jurors unknown, as a commission for the sale of the said above described real estate to the board of county commissioners of Grady county, Oklahoma."

The sixth count in the indictment charges the defendant with having been, on a day and date unknown to the grand jury, guilty of "gross immorality and conduct unbecoming a public official."

Immediately following the return of the indictment into court, Mr. Bradley was advised of the fact and immediately appeared before the court.

Suspension Ordered.

Judge Jones stated that he felt it was incumbent upon him to treat the defendant as any other man against whom an indictment had been returned would be treated. Pursuant to this remark by the court, the order was made that P. P. Bradley be removed from office pending a thorough investigation of the charges against him. Judge Jones stated that in making this order he did not do so with any intention of seeking to cast a reflection upon the innocence of the accused.

Monday, January 31, was set as the day for hearing the case. Immediately following these remarks Judge Jones thanked the grand jury for the manner in which they had worked, accepted the partial report filed and discharged them until the time the members of the jury had agreed upon

as the date when the body will reassemble to complete its labors.

When seen in his office by an Express reporter this afternoon, Mr. Bradley stated he had nothing to say. "I have no statement whatever to give out at the present time. I have employed the firms of Bond, Melton and Melton and Holding and Herr as my attorneys and until after I shall have taken all matters up with them I positively have nothing to say."

County commissioners all being in the city at the time the indictment was returned into court a called meeting of that body was held for the purpose of appointing a clerk to act during such time as Mr. Bradley may be suspended.

Hart is Appointed.
The commissioners after a short session announced the appointment of D. C. Hart, a deputy in the county clerk's office, to serve as clerk during the time Mr. Bradley shall be suspended, or until such time as his successor shall be elected.

In addition to the Bradley indictment, the grand jury returned true bills against fourteen others for alleged violations of the law. The names of the persons indicted and the offenses with which they are charged were not given out, but will be held until the defendants may be arrested.

Finding of Jury.
The finding as reported today by the grand jury are in substance as follows:

1. Regarding prisoners in the county jail, none are unjustly or improperly held, all having been duly convicted or being held for trial.

2. Various suggestions for making the county jail safer and more sanitary.

3. Suggestions for improvement of court house.

4. "We have made diligent inquiry into the method of conducting the affairs of the county and find that the commissioners have not at all times used business precaution in the expenditure of county funds for road and bridge purposes; and in the purchase of supplies for the county; and we recommend that they adopt a more competent audit system in this particular connection; and that all contracts for public works and supplies of considerable amounts should be let only by competitive bidding, and always with proper contracts and specifications."

Sale of Liquor.

5. "We have made a careful and diligent inquiry into the sale of intoxicating liquors, and while we believe that the unlawful sale and disposition of intoxicating liquors exists in Grady county, we find it impossible to secure sufficient evidence to convict such law violators. We find that there are many citizens who purchase intoxicating liquors from law violators; but such citizens will not give the proper testimony to secure convictions; and

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WEATHER FORECAST.
For Oklahoma.

For Oklahoma—tonight and Sunday, fair, colder in east portion.

Local Temperature.

During twenty-four hours ending 8 a. m. today:

Maximum, 56 degrees.

Minimum, 26 degrees.

BAD NEWS BROUGHT BY REFUGEES

By United Press.
EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 22.—Wide-spread destruction, disease and anarchy in certain parts of Mexico were described by refugees who arrived here today, bringing the first news report of the dynamiting of a passenger train at Pueblo by Zapatistas recently, with the loss of twenty-three lives.

The body of Bert Akers, a ranch man, who crossed the river into Mexico near Yuleta last night to track cattle that had been stolen by bandits, was brought here today.

Governor Enriquez of Chihuahua denies the report that eighteen bandits were executed in Chihuahua yesterday. He says they are being held till it is established that they participated in the Santa Ysabel massacre.

SKATERS DROWNED

By United Press.
LA TOPE, Pa., Jan. 22.—The bodies of James and Edward Malone, Lizzie Mino, Benoit Spinnella and James Shanefelt were recovered this morning from the Bradenville reservoir. Shanefelt was passing the reservoir when the others broke through the ice while they were skating. He tried to rescue them and all were drowned.

CARS TAKE BIG PLUNGE

By United Press.
SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 22.—The dining car and a day coach on a Great Northern train were caught by an avalanche and carried over an embankment near Seaside.

At the place where the disaster occurred the embankment is over four hundred feet high and the cars plunged to the bottom. It is reported that several persons were killed.

MADE GENERAL BY RUSSIA



Dr. P. Newton, an American physician, who returned from Europe recently, having received high honors from Russia, having been made a brigadier general and given the cross of St. Andrew.

TEACHERS TRAINED IN H. SCHOOL

New Normal Department Has Thirty Students Enrolled and Eleven Will Receive Two-Year State Certificates at Close of Term

STATE SUPT. WILSON SPENDS BUSY DAY

Delivers Four Addresses During Visit, Students, Board Members, Teachers and Citizens; Praises Junior High School Move

When State Superintendent Wilson officially inspected the new normal department of the Chickasha high school Friday, he found thirty-three students enrolled in it, receiving the training that will equip them for the teaching profession. Of this number, eleven are scheduled to complete the course at the close of the year, receiving as a reward for their efforts state certificates which will entitle them to teach in the common schools of Oklahoma for two years.

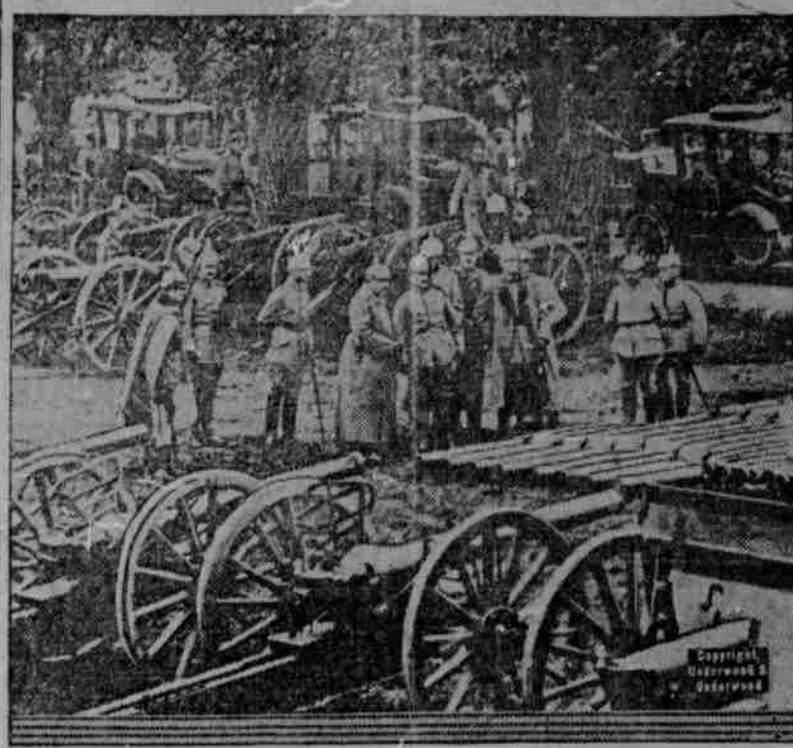
Teacher-training in the high schools is a new idea that was worked out by the present state superintendent, having been launched only this year. Mr. Wilson discovered from statistics that the normal schools of the state, even when running at full capacity, were by no means able to meet the demand for trained teachers and he therefore conceived the plan of establishing normal departments in the various high schools of the state. Details of the plans were worked out by Mr. Wilson in conference with city superintendents and other educators and the matter was put up to the school board for their acceptance. The Chickasha board, upon the recommendation of Supt. Ramey, decided to establish the department and placed in charge of it C. L. Honnold, a man of much experience in school work.

In the course of his talks to students, teachers and members of the board and citizens yesterday Supt. Wilson explained the plan of the new department in detail, showing how it is not only calculated to be of immense value in recruiting the ranks of the teaching forces in the state but also to render practical service in equipping the graduates of the high schools for a profession. During their high school careers the students, in addition to the ordinary prescribed studies, receive courses of instruction in pedagogy and psychology, take reviews in all the common school branches and are given an opportunity to study the teaching art by visiting the various grades, taking notes and afterwards discussing the work with their instructors. The last year's work includes thorough courses of six weeks each, in reading, writing, orthography, arithmetic, grammar, geography and physiology and the regular high school course includes agriculture, domestic art and manual training. Under the regulations adopted, Mr. Wilson explained, the young teachers who receive two years' certificates can have the same extended another year provided they spend a year in a normal school before their expiration.

Mr. Wilson stated that he found the normal department in the Chickasha school fully abreast with the best in the state. In the course of his busy day in Chickasha he delivered four addresses, speaking first to the students at the chapel exercises, giving them many practical suggestions on thrift and other topics, and again at a luncheon given by the members of the domestic science class at which members of the board of education and a few citizens were guests. At 2 o'clock he talked to the normal students and later in the afternoon he spoke to the teachers and citizens. In addition to discussing the normal work in detail, Mr. Wilson took occasion to strongly commend the junior high school movement which Chickasha has taken up, declaring it would put the local schools in line with the most advanced educational ideas, resulting in greater efficiency and increasing the number of pupils who would complete the course and eventually find their way into higher institutions.

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KAISER INSPECTS CAPTURED GUNS



During one of his recent flying trips to the various fronts, the Kaiser inspected guns which were captured from the Russians. The Kaiser can be seen (third man from left) surrounded by his staff. In the background the autos are waiting to speed the party off to another point along the front.

CARNIVAL OF SENIORS IS SUCCESS

Girls Make a Big Hit With Show at High School and Proceeds Amount to \$115; Minstrel and Other Stunts are Stellar Features

Seniors, juniors, freshmen and sophomores, teachers and all sympathizers with the ambitious students of the Chickasha high school are elated over the success of the carnival given last night by the seniors with the assistance of the other classes. The net proceeds amounted to \$115, of which \$100 was cleared over the expenses. The money is to be used to buy sweaters for the football boys, and they were ordered this morning.

The sideshows were in the gymnasium and the schedule called for the main show to open in the auditorium at 10 o'clock. Soon after 8 the gymnasium was so crowded, however, that the auditorium was opened, and the big performance of the evening started about 9. A silent portrayal of "The Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," was the first number and was followed by a Scottish sketch. Living pictures, in charge of Miss Zella Stoddard, then showed fourteen reels of past, present and future years, and a reading by Miss Thelma Rose was enjoyed.

The negro minstrel was probably the "scream" of the evening. Charles Hill Johns taking the part of interlocutor. Some original and timely jokes were sprung by Dewey Luster and Charles McGehee, causing much fun. Fancy dances by Miss Frances Riddle and whistling solo by Miss Joy Ringer were the attractive specialties between the acts, and a double-header boxing match concluded the evening's performance.

Misses Graham and Myers, who were in charge of the carnival, are deserving of much credit for its success, as is each student who participated in the various entertainments.

GAS MAIN IS BROKEN

A break in the eight-inch main near Eighth street and Colorado put the gas service on the bum in that neighborhood and knocked out some eight or ten families, in point of service during the night and for the greater part of today.

The break proved hard to locate and necessitated the cutting off of a portion of the consumers in that section until the trouble could be located and repaired. Some boys with an idea well developed along the lines of "innocent" deviltry and youthful mischief, applied the business end of a match to the gas impregnated air about the manhole at Eighth and Colorado, with the result that the fire department was notified and responded with chemical fire extinguishers. Chief Gattis and one or two assistants remained at the point of leakage until after midnight last night, guarding against possible danger. The gas people think they will be able to locate and repair the trouble before night in the meantime several families of the neighborhood affected are patronizing the downtown restaurants and acquiring indigestion.

PEACE WITH BELGIUM IS PROPOSED

Influential German Paper Suggests the Overtures Be Made; Austria Reported to Have Suggested Terms to Serbia for Separate Deal

QUEEN MILENA OF MONTENEGRO MIFFED

Italian Charges that King Nicholas Entered into Secret Agreement with Austria Causes Her to Decline Hospitality of Royal Palace

By the United Press.
AMSTERDAM, Jan. 22.—The Frankfurter Zeitung, one of the most influential newspapers in Germany, openly proposes in an editorial that Germany enter into negotiations with a view to making a separate peace arrangement with Belgium.

"Chancellor Bethmann von Hollweg now considers Belgium only as an article of exchange for territory seized by the allies," said the Zeitung. "Sensible Belgians should be warned not to wait or Germany will regard Belgium as too good a prize to be relinquished."

Proposals to Serbia.

By United Press.
ROME, Jan. 22.—A dispatch from Athens to the Giornale d'Italia, a local newspaper, says Austria made a new peace offer for the purpose of making separate terms with Serbia, following the failure of negotiations with Montenegro.

Queen is Peaved.

By United Press.
ROME, Jan. 22.—It became known today that Queen Milena of Montenegro, mother of the Italian queen, was deeply offended because of Italian charges that King Nicholas entered into a secret agreement with Austria two months ago and that she spent the night in a sleeping car while passing through Rome en route to Lyons, the new seat of the Montenegrin government. It is said that the queen declined to accept the hospitality of the royal palace in Rome.

Reports received here today say General Karainovitch repulsed the Austrians in a severe fight at Berani, but later ordered the complete evacuation of Montenegro and will unite his forces with those of the Albanians under Essad Pasha, making a final stand against the Austrians at Scutari.

British Sub Scores.

By United Press.
ROME, Jan. 22.—A British submarine sank an Austrian torpedo boat and a hydroplane in the Adriatic sea yesterday, according to advices here today.

Bigger Naval Guns.

By the United Press.
LONDON, Jan. 22.—The naval critic of the London Daily News reports that the Germans are arming their new super-dreadnaughts with seventeen-inch guns that are capable of throwing shells weighing a ton a distance of twenty miles. He predicts that the new dreadnaughts will soon challenge the British fleet in the North sea.

British newspapers say the new German battle plane forer destroyed sixteen British biplanes during the past month. It is believed that several planes of this type will accompany the German fleet on a sortie.

HUDSON MOTOR CAR CO. HAS A CATASTROPHE

By United Press.
DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 22.—Damage to the amount of \$1,000 was done today when the stock department of the Hudson Motor Car company collapsed. A score of workmen narrowly escaped injury.

DEATH CLAIMS MINISTER.

Rev. D. G. Murray, father of Mrs. G. E. Platt of this city, died this morning in a hospital in Ontario. Interment will take place in Oklahoma City Monday. Mr. Murray had been a Methodist minister in Oklahoma for many years and was one of the honored leaders of his denomination in the state.